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COUNTRY: SOUTH VIETNAM

SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT IN I CORPS AS OF 1200 HOURS ON 5 FEBRUARY

ACQUIRED: VIETNAM, DANANG (5 FEBRUARY 1968) [REDACTED]

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1. IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE RATHER HEAVY FIGHTING ERUPTED AT 0900 AND CONTINUED UNTIL AFTER 100 IN TRIEU PHONG DISTRICT MARKET PLACE. NO FURTHER DETAILS WERE AVAILABLE. FOUR VIET CONG/NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY (VC/NVA) BATTALIONS AND POSSIBLY EIGHT, ARE REPORTED MOVING TOWARD QUANG TRI FROM THE SOUTHWEST. NO CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE WITH THEM AS YET. IF THESE UNITS ACTUALLY ARE LOCATED WHERE REPORTED THEY PROBABLY WILL NOT ATTACK DURING THE DAY BUT POSSIBLY MAY DO SO TONIGHT. THE WEATHER IS OVERCAST, SO LITTLE AIR COVER WILL BE PROVIDED. PEOPLE ARE EDGY AND NERVOUS BUT GOING ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS.

2. IN QUANG TIN PROVINCE REPORTS FROM A VIETNAMESE OFFICIAL POLICE AGENCY STATE THAT THE VC PLANS MASS ATTACKS ON TAM KY AND SEVERAL DISTRICTS BEFORE 10 FEBRUARY. PEOPLE ARE GOING ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS AS USUAL WITH FEW SIGNS OF PANIC. BOTH ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (ARVN) AND VIETNAMESE POLICE UNITS CONTINUE TO SWEEP TAM KY CITY AND SURROUNDING AREAS. THE PEOPLE WILL

NOT DEMONSTRATE FOR FEAR OF BEING PICKED UP BY THE POLICE. ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED, THE PRIME TARGET OF THE NEXT VC ATTACK WILL BE TAM KY CITY AND THE SECONDARY TARGET WILL BE THE TWO NEARBY REFUGEE CAMPS.

3. REPORTS FROM QUANG NGAI PROVINCE INDICATE THE VC WILL MAKE ATTACKS ON THE CITY AND IN THE DISTRICTS SOME TIME BEFORE 10 FEBRUARY. THE CITY POPULATION CONTINUES TO GO ABOUT ITS BUSINESS IN A NORMAL FASHION, BUT THERE ARE SIGNS OF UNCERTAINTY.

4. IN HOI AN CITY, QUANG NAM PROVINCE, A MEETING WAS HELD BY LOCAL INHABITANTS ON THE MORNING OF 4 FEBRUARY WITH NO FURTHER DETAILS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE. A NORMAL ATMOSPHERE PREVAILS WITHIN THE CITY AND THERE ARE NO REPORTS OF ANY FORTHCOMING VC ATTACKS.

5. FIELD DISSEM: STATE USMACV CORDS III MAF 7TH AF USARV COMNAVFORV USAID DIR/JUSPAO (MR. ZORTHIAN ONLY) CINCPAC ARPAC PACAF (ALSO SENT SAIGON)

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